



Saguaro National Park

Good Times Travel Arizona's Valley Of The Sun

Featuring A Single-Hotel Stay, Saguaro National Park, Phoenix, Scottsdale, Tucson, Taliesin West, No Flying Required

November 13-17, 2022 – 5 Day Tour

Tour Highlights

- ◆ Enjoy a single-hotel stay at the *Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino*, a premier AAA Four Diamond, smoke-free resort featuring recently remodeled rooms, a 100,000 square foot casino and multiple restaurants and bars
- ◆ Docent-guided tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West, the National Historic Landmark and UNESCO World Heritage site that was Wright's beloved winter home
- ◆ Enjoy an included lunch at the *Arizona Biltmore Hotel*, the legendary Phoenix landmark hotel known for its distinctive Frank Lloyd Wright-inspired architecture
- ◆ Travel to Tucson and visit Saguaro National Park and Pima Air & Space Museum
- ◆ Visit three museums in the Phoenix area including the Musical Instrument Museum, the Heard Museum showcasing traditional and contemporary American Indian art, and Butterfly Wonderland – a conservatory with thousands of fluttering butterflies
- ◆ Visit The General George Patton Museum focused on the life of General George Patton



Arizona Biltmore Hotel



Taliesin West



Arizona's "Valley of the Sun"



Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino

Itinerary

From the sparkling lights of our luxurious casino resort to the striking silhouettes of the Saguaro cacti, you'll be charmed by the Arizona landscape dotted with historic (and pre-historic!) wonder. Explore stunning landscapes – both natural and man-made – from Saguaro National Park to Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West to the legendary Arizona Biltmore Hotel. We'll skip the airports and enjoy a single-hotel stay on this five-day gateway that features the most popular and most unique sights in Arizona's "Valley of the Sun."

Day 1 – Journey to Arizona!

From our departure points this morning we'll travel by deluxe motorcoach towards Arizona's "Valley of the Sun." We'll make several rest stops and a stop for lunch on your own along the way. This evening we arrive at the **Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino** – a premier AAA Four Diamond, smoke-free resort located just south of Phoenix. Unpack once and enjoy a leisurely, four-night stay at this luxurious resort that features recently remodeled rooms, multiple restaurants and bars, a 100,000 square foot casino (that has twice been voted Best Casino in the Valley), an outdoor heated pool and hot tub and an outlet shopping center within walking distance. Enjoy the evening at leisure with dinner on your own at one of the resort restaurants.

Day 2 – Scottsdale, Phoenix

Following an included breakfast, we'll travel to **Scottsdale** to visit Frank Lloyd Wright's **Taliesin West**. This National Historic Landmark and UNESCO World Heritage site nestled in the desert foothills of Scottsdale's McDowell Mountains was Wright's beloved winter home and "desert laboratory" from 1937 until his death in 1959. On a docent-guided tour of the estate you'll learn how it

Tour Inclusions

- ◆ 4 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 5 Meals – 1 lunch, 4 breakfasts
- ◆ Services of a professional GTT tour director
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing
- ◆ Admissions per itinerary
- ◆ Transportation aboard a deluxe motorcoach
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour

Tour Prices

Double Occupancy: \$1,399 per person
Single Occupancy (no roommate): Add \$500

Reservations



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Accommodations

- ◆ Nights 1-4 **Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino**
Chandler, AZ

Departure Information

Join this tour from one of our convenient departure points available in these cities:

- ◆Fountain Valley ◆Laguna Hills ◆Long Beach
- Approximate Departure Time: 7-9 a.m.
Approximate Return Time: 6-8 p.m.

Payment Information

- ◆ Full payment due at time of booking by mailing a check to the above address, or by credit card at www.goodtimestravel.com

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Health & Wellness

To better ensure the health and wellness of all guests, this tour requires all guests to wear face masks where required, provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination and complete a Wellness Pledge on the day of departure.

Tour Pace & Activity Level



Visit our website for further explanation of what each of these designations means to assist you in determining which tour is right for you based on your physical abilities and the pacing you prefer.

Itinerary Continued...

was diligently handcrafted over many years into a world unto itself – deeply connected to the desert from which it was forged. Built and maintained almost entirely by Wright and his apprentices, it is among the most personal of the architect's creations. This afternoon we'll enjoy an included lunch at the luxurious **Arizona Biltmore Resort** – the AAA Four Diamond Waldorf Astoria property. This legendary and luxurious Phoenix hotel known as the “Grand Dame” has been recognized since its opening in 1929 for its distinctive Frank Lloyd Wright-inspired architectural style. In fact, Wright was the consulting architect on the project. Enjoy time at leisure browsing the hotel lobby, hallways and several public rooms featuring historic photographs and Frank Lloyd Wright-designed artwork including stained glass, sculptures and tapestries. The resort's expansive grounds feature lush landscaping and formal, manicured gardens. (Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 3 – Tucson

After an included breakfast this morning, we'll travel south through the **Sonoran Desert** to **Tucson**, Arizona's second-largest city. Nestled in a valley surrounded by five mountain ranges, Saguaro forests and the Sonoran Desert, Tucson's setting is absolutely spectacular. At the **Pima Air & Space Museum**, we'll enjoy time at leisure to browse one of the largest airplane museums in the world. The incredible collection includes 150 aircraft inside hangars – the majority of them in near-perfect condition including several restored WWII aircraft that look as though they just taxied out of the factory. A century of flight unfolds amid its collection, from early planes that fought gravity every inch, to fighter jets faster than the speed of sound. Many rest wing-to-wing; others dangle from above in mid-flight. You can browse another 100 aircraft parked outside including the enormous, bulbous-nosed Super Guppy cargo plane, a giant B-52 and the jet that flew Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson from 1961 to 1965. This afternoon we'll continue to **Saguaro National Park**, home to the nation's largest cacti. The universal symbol of the American west, these majestic plants are found only in a small portion of the United States. On a scenic drive through the national park, we'll see thousands of these enormous cacti, silhouetted by the beauty of a magnificent desert sunset. A short walk on the paved **Desert Ecology Trail** will introduce you to the residents of this Sonoran Desert “neighborhood.” We return to our resort with the balance of the evening at leisure. (Breakfast)

Day 4 – Scottsdale, Phoenix

Following an included breakfast, we'll travel to **Scottsdale** and visit **Butterfly Wonderland**. This one-of-a-kind experience begins with the 3D film, “Flight of the Butterflies.” Continue to the **Butterfly Emergence Gallery** to see the third stage of butterfly metamorphosis in action. Finally, enter the **Butterfly Conservatory** a 10,000 square foot glass atrium that provides the ideal tropical rainforest habitat where thousands of butterflies from around the world fly freely. We continue to the **Musical Instrument Museum**, showcasing the musical instruments and music of cultures throughout the world. Displaying more than 6,500 instruments and objects and using state-of-the-art audiovisual technology to show musical instruments being played in their original cultural context, the museum provides a one-of-a-kind experience. Enjoy a docent-guided tour followed by time to browse the **Artist Gallery** which displays instruments played by notable artists such as Elvis Presley, John Lennon, Johnny Cash, and more. We top off the day at the **Heard Museum**, perhaps the best place to experience the myriad of cultures and art of Native Americans of the Southwest. With the help of pre-Colombian to contemporary art and a variety of traditional artifacts, the Heard Museum conveys the life and culture of Arizona's first residents. The beautiful museum features 12 exhibition galleries, a contemporary art gallery, trading-post style shopping and an outdoor sculpture garden and courtyards. We return to our resort with the balance of the evening at leisure. (Breakfast)

Day 5 – Journey Home

After an included breakfast we'll begin our journey home, making several rest stops and a stop for lunch on your own enroute. A visit to **The General George Patton Museum** tops off our journey. The museum was established to honor General George S. Patton and the thousands of men who served with him at the Desert Training Center and overseas. Exhibits display memorabilia from the life and career of General Patton, as well as military life with a particular focus on the Desert Training Center and the soldiers of World War II. We return to our drop-off points this evening with many fond memories from our time in Arizona's “Valley of the Sun.” (Breakfast)

While we make every effort to operate our tours as outlined in the itinerary, we ask for your patience, understanding and flexibility and to retain a sense of adventure while traveling with us. Situations may arise that necessitate changes to the itinerary. Should we need to adjust the itinerary either prior to or while on tour, these changes will be communicated to you and only done when absolutely necessary.